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MEMORANDUM

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FOR:

SUBJECT: Request for Contribution to PSB Quarterly Report to the President and the National Security Council.

This is to request that the Central Intelligence Agency provide, on or before October 10, a contribution to the PSB Quarterly Progress Report to the President and the National Security Council, covering the period July 1 through September 30, 1952.

25X1A9a The terms of reference for reporting by the Psychological Strategy Board to the President and the NSC, in connection with the NSC 68 and NSC 114 reviews, were set forth on behalf of the President by [REDACTED] Executive Director, NSC, in his memorandum to the Director, PSB, dated May 29, 1952. An outline attached to this memorandum called for both annual status reports and quarterly progress reports. (For [REDACTED] memorandum and outline, see PSB E-3, June 5, 1952, attached.) You will recall that the annual report, to which the CIA contributed, was submitted as of August 1, 1952, and was made an annex to NSC 135.

25X1A9a The terms of reference for quarterly progress reports, as set forth by [REDACTED] call for "not necessarily a full status report, ... but a statement of significant developments during the quarter." Two parts are called for, analogous to those in the annual status report: (a) progress in PSB planning, and (b) "significant psychological activities during the quarter, and an evaluation thereof." It is in the preparation of the second part that the PSB staff particularly requires the support of the member departments and agencies, as well as that of ODMS.

Attached is a questionnaire, designed to serve as guidance for the preparation of the CIA contribution. This questionnaire has been prepared in the PSB staff in informal consultation with the reporting staff of the NSC and with representatives of the departments and

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agencies concerned. Since it is uniform for all four of the contributing departments and agencies, the manner and degree of response on any of the specific questions should be subject to the judgment of the contributing department or agency as to the relevance of that question to its role in the national psychological effort.

Some of the material in response to certain of the questions may be of a highly restricted nature. Special handling will be furnished for any such information, as was done in the case of similar information for the annual PSB report to the President and the NSC.

In view of the recurring nature of the requirements for PSB reports to the NSC, I suggest that you may wish to consider the best means of assuring comprehensive coverage of the subject matter involved. Perhaps this can be done most effectively if the function of obtaining information for this purpose from the various elements within your agency is discharged on a continuing basis, through whatever means you consider appropriate.

Following the receipt of the contributions from the four departments and agencies concerned, the quarterly progress report itself will be drafted by the PSB staff and submitted to the Psychological Strategy Board for its approval.

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Director

Attachments

1. PSB E-3, June 5, 1952
2. Questionnaire (10 cys.)

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